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Faculty, Not Students Approve Exam Policy

There is a proposal on the floor of the college Senate that would ease the pressures of the final exam policies now implemented by the college. In their March 22 meeting, the Senate discussed this proposal and seemed in favor of it.

The current policy gives the right of decision solely to the instructor. He can determine content, value, comprehensiveness, and length.

The new final exam policy would discontinue this practice and instead put in to use the following:

1. Students have the option of taking or refusing to take any final exam. If they elect to take the exam, the instructor must reward them with a free dinner at the Scotch and Sirloin. If they refuse, no penalty is assessed.

2. If a student takes a final exam and fails it, they have the right to use the exam to start a fire in the Union fireplace and their dinner cannot be taken back.

3. Comprehensive finals cannot be given. Concern was stated in the Medical Assistant and Nursing areas. Here, comprehensive unit exams must be given to determine if a student can pass a hands-on experience. If a student fails one of these, he-she has the option to pretend they know it or take it over.

4. All final exams will be given in the first week of classes. It was found that the last week of classes are detrimental to a student's performance since the Spring Picnic and Thank God it's Over Mixer lands during this period. "I really think that this policy would be great for the students, it gives them more freedom," said Senate President Steve Austin.

"Hell, now a student doesn't have to take a final and can still pass a course. We seem to have been living in the dark ages for quite a while."

Francis Battisti, Dean of Academic Affairs, feels that this move would put Broome Community College on the map. " "I cannot think of another institution of Higher Education that has a policy as unique as this. The placement for our graduates would be phenomenal."

Although the faculty and administrators feel strongly in favor of the policy, students feel otherwise.

" "You've got to be kidding, do you realize how many students love to take finals. I for one cannot wait for finals week. Who gives a damn about the Spring Picnic," said one business student. " "I just don't understand it," said another, " "We spend all year just waiting for finals week and now they plan on doing this to us. I think we should have more finals and less mixers. All mixers are good for are having some beer, getting all sweaty dancing, and then driving funny."

President Beattie appears in favor of the proposal. He was seen yesterday doing a jig in the parking lot wearing a sign saying " "I sure hope that we don't have finals this semester". From a radio nearby poured forth Mr. Beattie's favorite song, " "Let's Groove Tonight".

Finals may be a relic of the past at Broome Community College.

Students to Watch Conduct

"It's time students acted like decent citizens." So states an "Agreement of Conduct" signed today by Mark Wood, President of USG, Paul Chambers, from the College Senate, Dr. John Mansari representing the Board of Trustees and Gary Smith, Vice President for Student Affairs.

The Agreement prohibits hand holding, kissing, hugging, or any other sexual act on the BCC campus by any student, teacher, or employee during the hours of 8AM to 6PM. If students are caught committing such acts, they will immediately be suspended, and thrown off campus. Others caught in such offenses will lose one day's wages. All cases will be reviewed by a College Judical Board composed by representatives from each of the signature groups.

When asked about this Agreement's acceptance, Mark Wood said," In a recent referendum our students approved it 3545 to 70. I feel that the majority of people are too busy to worry about sex. Strict morality belongs in a college setting."

Underground Arcade

R. Bruce MacGregor, Director of Student Affairs, announced today that a video arcade is coming. VideoVend, a commercial chain out of Paramus, New Jersey, has agreed to build, equip, and manage a full scale arcade on BCC's campus. For this privilege, Broome Community College would receive a portion of the gross sales.

Video Hall, as it's now being called will be built underground, backing up into the mound between the Library and Titchener, to save construction costs and to preserve the asthetics of the quadrangle. Fire code laws will be met with a modern sprinkler system and 4 emergency exits.

Richard Novak, Admissions Director is very supportive. "The convenience and excitement of this VideoHall on campus could be a great selling point to potential students." said Novak.

Carl Miller College Controller, sounded positive. "It (the VideoHall) doesn't do a damn thing for education but it should raise the extra thousands we need just to pay our telephone and copier bills."

Titchener Hall Condemned

The New York State Department of Health has condemned Titchener Hall effective April 1, 1982 for any group use over 25 adults. According to Dr. Harold F. Schwartz, New York State Commissioner of Health, the heating 51 degrees on the other side. There is no circulation of air. In the past semester 49 people were treated for heat exhaustion for being in Titchener. The only way Titchener could be used is for office space or for very small classes.

and ventilating system in Titchener makes it intolerable for heavy use. "Frankly," Schwartz said in a telephone interview," Those systems are abominiable. Temperatures fluctuate from 98 degrees on one side of the building to

Contacted for comment, Vice President Robert Kane said,"- This is a very difficult situation. The State has frozen all construction funds, and the costs of completing replacing the heating plant and duct work in Titchener will be astronomical."

GRADUATES:

Jobs in Broome County Will Be Available

Today, the Broome County Chamber of Commerce went on record guaranteeing a job for every BCC graduate who wants one. "The job may not be in the person's field, "commented Chamber of Commerce President Arthur Simmons, "but work will be available."

Students will be required to fill out an application at his-her department's office. The application will have spaces for interests, skills, and coursework. Completed forms will be inputted into BCC's main computer which now contains the Chamber of Commerce Job Bank Program. As soon as any potential job is matched with a student's skill, the person will be notified by mail. It is then his-her responsibility to contact a potential employer for an interview.

Ann Scott, BCC's Placement Director said, "The Job Bank Program is marvelous. So many students want employment after getting a degree but hesitate leaving the area. This effort will give a clear choice to a grad; show him or her exactly what the earning potential is now without any additional training or education."

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Dear Uncle Bibber:

Dear Uncle Bibber:

I'm twenty-five years old and I love to play children's games, like kickball, hop-scotch and kick the can. The games only cause me problems.

None of my friends will play these games with me. They all come home from work tired and want to be with their wives. What should I do?—Still wet my pants.

Dear Wet:

You sound like a real winner. I bet your mother still ties your shoes for you too. If I was one of your friends, I would move the hell away from you. Come on buddy, wake up to reality. I don't have time for this nonsense, I'm a very busy man. Go soak your head.

Dear Uncle Bibber:

I am nineteen years old and have a big problem. My sixty-five year old girl friend is pregnant. I want to marry her but I can't support her. She gets social security but we can't live on that with a child coming. What should I do?—Will the baby be wrinkled.

Dear Wrinkled,

I know how it is. I couldn't believe that there was a baseball strike. Just think, about people making way over a hundred thousand dollars striking to make more money! It made me sick. If I made that much I would be happier than all hell. Have a nice day, and thank you for writing.

Dear Uncle Bibber:

I have a friend, I'll call him Bill, who seems to get all the girls and I don't get any. When we go to mixers together and he sees a girl he wants to go out with, he does. But if I see one I want to go out with, I just can't get up the nerve to ask her. Bill told me that he has even gone all the way with some. How can I be like Bill?—Can't get it up

Dear Can't,

I know how it is. Just look at all the starving people there are in India. I think it is unfair how some country can provide way too much for their country and others can't. I look at pictures in magazines and can't help but to feel sad. So I hope your new jacket fits good and be happy that it is the right color.

Dear Uncle Bibber:

I have a personal problem so please withhold my name. One side of my chest is quite a bit larger than the other side. When I take a shower after gym all the other girls make fun of me. What should I do?—Name withheld.

Dear withheld,

Well Nancy Tremblay, I withheld your name but if the girls make fun of you, then they know it is you anyway. Right? I can remember back in 1969 when the New York Mets came from the bottom of their division in late August and won the National League championship. Then they won the world series. That was their best year and mine too. I was so happy to see them do it. I also hope that they do it again this year. Wouldn't that be great! Just think, 1982 world champs, The New York Mets. . .

Dear Uncle Bibber:

My boyfriend just broke up with me and I'm very depressed. I love him a great deal and don't want to lose him. It all happened when I invited him over for a spaghetti dinner. He came over, sat down, took one bite, said he hated me and never wanted to see me again. What do you think his problem was?—losing my noodle

Dear nood,

The problem is with you, not with him. Everyone knows that you should make a linguini dinner if you invited a boyfriend over, not spaghetti: You sound like an idiot. You probably didd't even have sauce on the spaghetti. If I was your boyfriend, which I'm glad I'm not you air-head, I would have shot it at you and then kicked you in the face. Do like pain, huh, do you?

Anyone interested in wrining to Uncle Bibber,
Write to Uncle Bibber
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President Reagan Talks

The following interview with Ronald Reagan was made possible by the Fulcrum's ability to cough up five thousand dollars for the White House China Fund.

Fulcrum: Mr. President, concerning your new budget, don't you realize that your cut in the Guaranteed Student Loan program is going to have disasterous effects on the millions of students depending on those loans to get through college?

President Reagan: That's the problem with students these days. They expect the government to help them out so that they can get high paying jobs. I say that if a person isn't born with money he doesn't deserve to have it.

F.: But sir, isn't this America where everybody has an equal chance to get ahead?

P.R.: That's just some garbage being spread around by all those damn Democrats. Hell, if they had their way we'd be paying every welfare case in the country enough to support their families. And where is all that money going to come from, tell me that!

F.: Well, sir. back to the subject, it seems that the upper-class students going to private institutions will still be eligible for the loans, but students attending state schools and community colleges such as the one I represent will be unable to get the money needed to finish our educations.

P.R.: What school did you say you represent?

F.: I represent Broome Community

get.

F.: Do you mean that we're going to war in El Salvador?

P.R.: I can't comment on that. It's not on my notecards. Anyhow, if you don't stop asking that type of question I'll hold my breath until I turn blue.

F.: O.K. O.K., don't hold your breath. Mr. President, you have managed to develop a suspicion of the press that has been unrivaled since Richard Nixon left office. Would you care to comment on that?

P.R.: the press is full of ka-ka. They're jealous of me because I have more toys than they do. they hate me. . .everybody hates me. . .nobody likes me. . .I want my mommy. . .(At this point in the interview Mrs. Reagan entered the room)

P.R.: Hi, mommy, can I have a jellybean? Huh? Please?

Mrs. Reagan: I'm sorry, but you will have to leave. The President has an important meeting.

P.R.: Mommy, will you let me bomb Russia today, please?

P.R.: Then you have nothing to worry about. It has come to the attention of my office that there have been traces of natural gas on campus, especially the Business Building, and the property has been sold to Exxon for drilling rights.

F.: But what are the students supposed to do?

P.R.: Have you ever considered joining the Army? We have a hell of a war brewing in El Salvador and we can use all the help we can

New Faculty Lounge

The B.C.C. faculty is finally going to get the faculty lounge expanded after many gruelling minutes of effort on the part of Ignasius Sumppump, faculty spokesperson. Sumppump said the proposal brought thunderous approval from the Trustees, along with a few plans on how to achieve the expansion. "They were in total agreement, one of the trustees said we could all pile into the room and take a deep breath." said Sumppump. "I don't really know much about engineering, but whether it works or not, it sounds like swell fun anyway."

Sumppump has been the major force behind the movement to expand the faculty lounge. In fact, none of the other instructors at B.C.C. even knew there was such a movement. "That's just pure ignorance; I have been working on the plans since last Thursday and you would think that college instructors would be more up-to-date on the issues." Sumppump said the project all started when an assosiate sat on him while he was eating his watercrest and pickle sandwich. He concluded that either the room was too small to find another place to sit or he had not put enough garlic in his sandwich. Sumppumps presence under the faculty member remained unnoticed; and in fact, not one faculty member will admit to ever seeing Sumppump—before or after the proposal was made.

Other plans to alleviate the problem of too little space for Sumppump to dine included; taking a long walk off a short peer, jumping in a lake and the favorite, going and flying a kite. "These all sound like valid plans, said Sumppump, "but then again I'm not an engineer."

Graduation Corner

Commencement exercises will still be held on May 28 as planned, but a few minor adjustments have been made. The original site had been set for the Arena but financial problems are preventing this.

Instead, the college has chosen the cellar of USG Vice-President of Internal Affairs, John Quain. You will be advised as to whether you can bring chairs or not.

" "I'm really honored to have graduation at my house. My mom makes good cookies," said Quain.

The commencement speaker was to have been David Schoenbrun, but his wife is scheduled to have a baby on that date and he had to cancel.

His replacement will be Richard Pryor, who promised to entertain our students with an informative and clean speech. The caps and gowns will not be in on time so students are encouraged to wear one of the following:

. . . . . a white toga with no underwear

. . . . . boys may wear Bermudas with underwear and tanktop, girls may wear one piece bathing suit with stockings.

. . . . . all boys must come bald, girls in ponytails.

If anyone is seen out of attire, they will be punished by having to sing a medley of Irish tunes for one-half hour.

The diplomas will be distributed in the cafeteria on May 2, 1987.

Everyone is encouraged to attend.

In appreciation for the quality of students at Broome Community College, and their increasing tuition payments over the average 3 years spent at this institution, County Executive Carl Young proposed giving a $50. savings bond to every certified graduate.

"We really ought to do something significant at Commencement, "sa-id Young today at his weekly press conference. "BCC graduates have met very high standards," he went on to say, "We in Broome County Government are very proud of our community college. Although this gift seems small for each individual, it should be taken as a token of the great faith we have in these bright people."

The expected cost of the county's gift to the grads is estimated at $65,000. Questioned about this amount, Young said, "The Legislature has been very supportive of the College in the last few years. There should be no problem with this allocation."

New President for BCC?

In a surprise move today, it was announced that BCC President Donald Beattie will be replaced by nationally known educator and television personality Mr. Rogers. The move was seen to be in the best interest of the college, due to the decreasing popularity of the current president, and the criticism that "Mr. Beattie simply cannot relate to the student body at large." Mr. Rogers was seen as the best possible replacement, primarily because of his "unique ability to converse with honest, understandable, no-nonsense language", and his reputation as an educator on his nationally broadcast morning TV show "Mr. Roger's Neighborhood" was also cited as the prime reason.

When reached for comment, Mr. Rogers responded, "Hi. We're going to do some nice things today. Some special things for you and some special things for me. Can you say 'special?' Sure, I knew you could."

As far as general academic policy at Broome, Mr. Rogers hinted that major reforms would have to take place under his leadership.

When asked if he would make any special efforts to recruit minorities to the faculty during his tenure at Broome, Rogers responded, "Can you say affirmative action?" No, I knew you couldn't. Again, he did not elaborate.

Rogers paused to take off his shoes and put on his loafers. He then sang a song to this reporter entitled "I Like You Because You're You," and proceeded to feed the fish in his new office aquarium.

When I probed the board as to what had prompted the current dissatisfaction with Beattie, they cited as the primary reason, the drastic cost overruns Beattie had allowed in refitting campus security with new uniforms which were designed and fitted individually by famous fashion designer Calvin Klein. (see story following: Brown Army goes Punk.) Beattie was quoted as saying, "We wanted to do something to revamp the image the student has of the security officer, as someone who can do more than issue parking tickets. Now we can also have them appear at mixers and mingle more with the student body." This comment apparently sparked heavy criticism from an outraged officers and students alike, resulting in Beattie's dismissal.

New Parking Ramp on Campus

It seems that a solution to the parking problem has finally been discovered. In a plan formulated by Robert Kane and Gary Smith (Vice-President of Student Affairs), a twelve story parking ramp appears within costs.

The plan calls for the ramp to be constructed on top of the Union building. Cars would enter directly into the office of Bruce MacGregor when they arrived at school, he would issue them a parking ticket, the morning paper, and free tokens to play Galaxian or the game of their choice in the Union.

" "I think it is a great idea. It gives the students a chance to read the paper on the way to the twelfth tier, and when they decide to come down, they will be educated enough to play Galaxian or Donkey Kong," said MacGregor.

" "The twelve stories of parking was included to give students variety. In this way, if they still want to be late for class they can go to the top. If they want to be early, they can stay at the bottom," said Smith.

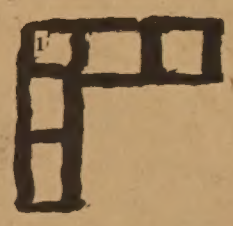
In the past, and particularly this year, students found it difficult to get from the Nimmonsburg site to the campus, find a parking space, and get to class on time. They would still have this option.

The project would only cost around $4 million upon completion. Governor Carey stated that the money would not cause an inconvenience.

" "We hope to start building next week and have the whole thing completed by the latest, next Saturday," " said Kane.

A contract has not been formulated so any students are welcome to bring their hammers, concrete, and steel to help with the minor project.

The above picture was taken at the last mixer. TMH The unidentified student commented on why he was outside the cafeteria in only his underwear, "Yes".



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Complete the crossword puzzle above and win one free drink at the College Inn. You must have your puzzle with you to get the drink.

From the Wire Services:

Hoop Team Invited to Olympics

For the first time in the history of Broome Community College, a basketball team will be receiving national as well as international recognition.

The IdonoHooz, champions of the BCC Intramural league have received an invitation to represent the United States in the 1984 Olympics which will be held in Los Angeles.

This is the first time in the history of Olympic competition that a whole team will represent America. Normally, tryouts are held and the top college players in the nation are chosen.

"This is a first, but you're talkin' that this team can really play ball. That Aebli brings down rain when he shoots and Vinci makes James Worthy look silly," said Al McQuire.

McQuire added that since the team, which he saw play one Friday afternoon on his way to eat lunch in the BCC cafeteria, is so versatile they have an excellent shot of taking the gold.

"They run fast, they jump high, they can shoot, they can slow it down, they are amazing. As far as I'm concerned, they deserved an invitation to the NCAA's. You would have saw them in New Orlenas," said Syracuse head coach Jim Boeheim.

"I'm really pissed because I'm not getting a chance to play. For years I've wanted to play on an Olympic team and now I probably won't get the chance," said a dejected Ralph Sampson from his Honda Civic.

The IdonoHooz are all students at BCC who came from this area. Dante Vinci, John Aebli and Jim Meddleton all played high school ball at Chenango Valley. Mark Bennett and Jeff Simonds are from Chenango Forks. Rounding out the team are Steve Austenfeld from Vestal, Chris Bennett from Seton Catholic Central, and Bill Crandall from Elmira Notre Dame.

"We want the Russians" said an ecstatic Bill Crandall. Crandall plays guard for the team and has scouts from the Los Angeles Lakers and the Seatle Supersonics interested.

"He plays just like Norm Nixon, as a matter of fact he plays better than Norm," commented Magic Johnson who grew up with Bill playing ball in his driveway after supper.

Chris Bennett is a forward who's specialty is crashing the boards, both offensive and defensive. He has been known to dunk the ball once in a while.

"Bennett is really super, but man that shot is really queer. I can't figure out how the hell he can shoot like he does," laughed Bennett's close friend and fishing partner Darryl Dawkins. Bennett shoots in an unorthodox way, he gives clinics every Tuesday at 6:00 am in his cellar.

"I don't know if I can go yet," said Mark Bennett, adding "I've got a real important Physics test that I have to study for on Friday. I heard that the bus was leaving on Friday night."

"Abbi scabbi dabber wabba," said center Steve Austenfeld. When his translater Jim Bigart was asked what Steve said he replied, "He said that he has never been to Los Angeles before and he hopes that he can get a haircut first."

Aebli and Vinci are both being scouted by the Boston Celtics who are impressed by their talents. There is a rumor that the Celtics are willing to give Broome a new classroom building and a swimming pool, along with two years of eligibility for Larry Bird to play for Dick Baldwin, in return for the two players.

"Right now it looks like if the Celtics are willing to include paying Bird's tuition the deal will be made. Broome will not give him a free ride," said BCC President Donald Beattie.

"I really don't know if I would take the $200,000 they are offering me. I would definitely go if they would move Hyder Park to Boston," said Vinci. He grew up playing ball on the playgrounds of Nimmonsburg with the likes of Wilt Chamberlin, Kareem Jabar, and Dave Bing.

"I don't know what is wrong with Dante, hell I told him that after we play in THE pros for a few years, I'd buy him the park," " said Aebli, a close personal friend of Pat Ewing. "Yea, Pat came to my house for spaghetti one night and I got his autograph."

The IdonoHooz finished the season 10-0 with no losses and appeared on National television for the first time last Saturday. They played the New York Knicks in an exhibition game and shut them out 112-0.

"Hey, we just played some really good defense and hustled for the first half, the Knicks just went cold in the second," laughed Meddleton, a close personal gumba of Frank Sinatra.

Meddleton has thoughts of playing international ball in El Salvador where the guerillas are rumored to create some exciting competition.

The school van will leave for Los Angeles on Friday. Each player will receive $10 for meals and $15 for room and board. A sendoff party will take place at the College Inn on Friday Morning. The owner of the Inn, Froy, has agreed to open at 6:00 am. Free T-Shirts, frisbees, and mirrors will be given to anyone making a guess on where the van will break down.

A personal source has just informed us that a fan car, the school Chevy Citation, will be taken. Advance tickets go on sale tonight. Only 300 will be available.

In other intramural action, the Skober-Nobies, BCC's finest volleyball team has been invited to put on exhibitions throughout the country of India. They will leave on June 1, play 30 games in 30 different cities, and return to the United States on June 8.

"I think this is real good for the moral of our team. It gives us pride to know that we can survive for one week in India," said team captain Jim Bigart. Bigart's girlfriend Sue will be packing the team lunches and along with her roommates Chris and Sheila will pump up the tires on the team bicycles for the long trip.

"I don't want to go to stinking India," moaned Marty Klein. His girlfriend Leslie promised him a free ride on the handlebars if he gets tired on the way so it looks like he will be going.

"I can't wait. Copperfields said they would still be here when I got back so I'm definitely going," smiled Brian MacCormack.

Bo Derek Gets Role In Upcoming BCC/Theatre Production

Through exclusive booking through her husband, John Derek, Bo will appear at BCC for a standing room only appearance on April 1st, 2nd, 3rd, and 4th as part of the cast of BCC theatre production's performance of "Mandragola", a Niccolo Machiavelli Italian comedy with baudy, often boisterously funny lines which will leave your stomach aching.

Angelo Zuccolo, when asked to the role in which she would be cast, replied, "We'll put her in as one of the clowns or numphs. After all, she's never really had a serious role in her career. and I wouldn't want to miscast her in something she's not qualified to do."

Derek is noted for such films at "10" in which she played opposite Dudley Moore, as an adulterous newlywed, and most recently, in "Tarzan the Ape Man", which Esquire magazine labelled as the worst motion picture of the year, an insult to the original production.

Bo Derek has also been noted for appearing in Playboy magazine, and has appeared in various stages of undress in many of the movies in which she has appeared.

Yankees Announce Startling Move, BCC Member to Manage in NY

In a culmination of a long search, Yankee owner George Steinbrenner announced in New York today that our Oz Winters, Coach and Professor has accepted the helm of the Yankees.

Steinbrenner, conceding that Oz was not a well known figure outside of Broome County, said, "The ball players are just getting younger and younger. You can have a superstar pitcher at age 20. I need a capable calm man who knows baseball, and can motivate players to go out and win. I have seen Oz in action. My scouts have watched his students play ball. He's good."

Oz, standing by Steinbrenner during this announcement, looked very much at home. Poised, with his distinguished silver hair shining in the television lights, he made a few comments, "This is a great honor. I'm sure that with the right players, and the right team spirit, we'll go all the way."

Hearing that, Steinbrenner's face broke out into a smile.